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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Roderic M. K. Dale) Group Art Unit: 1637
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Application No.: 09/669,033) Examiner: Young J. Kim
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Filed: September 25, 2000)
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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING)
NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to reply to the
Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.121 mailed December 16,
2003. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any further extensions of time required to enter this response and
charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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